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SUBJ: ROK PROPOSAL FOR NON-AGGRESSION PACT WITH NORTH

1. DURING NEW YEAR'S PRESS CONFERENCE JAN 18,
PRESIDENT PARK PROPOSED THAT SOUTH AND NORTH KOREA
CONCLUDE A NON-AGGRESSION PACT CONTAINING THE FOLLOWING
MAIN POINTS:

A. SOUTH AND NORTH KOREA PLEDGE TO THE WHOLE
WORLD THAT NEITHER WILL COMMIT ARMED AGGRESSION
AGAINST THE OTHER;

B. BOTH PARTIES AGREE NOT TO INTERFERE IN THE
OTHER'S INTERNAL POLITICS;

C. VALIDITY OF THE EXISTING ARMISTICE AGREEMENT IS
TO BE MAINTAINED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

2. PRESIDENT MADE PROPOSAL IN REPLY TO QUESTION WHAT
WAS HIS REACTION TO NORTH KOREA'S PROPOSAL FOR A
PEACE PACT. EARLIER IN HIS REPLY HE SAID HE VIEWED
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PEACE PACT PROPOSAL AS A DEVICE TO DISARM SOUTH AND

IMPOSE COMMUNISM. HE NOTED THAT NORTH HAD VIOLATED ARMISTICE AGREEMENT PROVISION AGAINST ARMS BUILDUP AND ACCUSED NORTH OF DEPARTING FROM SPIRIT OF SOUTH-NORTH JOINT COMMUNIQUE.

3. PRESIDENT REFERRED ONCE TO HIS PROPOSAL AS A TREATY (CHOYAK), BUT OTHER WISE CALLED IT A PACT OR AGREEMENT (HYOPCHONG). NEWSPAPERS ALL USED LATTER TERM.

4. PRESIDENT SAID AIM OF PROPOSAL WAS TO PREVENT WAR AND ESTABLISH PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE WHILE PAVING THE WAY TO UNIFICATION.

5. COMMENT: THE WORDS "UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES" WERE ADDED TO VERSION REPORTED REFTEL. ALTHOUGH MEANING IS NOT SPELLED OUT, WORDS COULD BE CONSTRUED AS COVERING THE CASE OF ABOLITION OF UN COMMAND.

6. AS NOTED REFTEL, ROKG HAS REQUESTED USG EXPRESSION OF PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR PRESIDENT'S INITIATIVE RE NON-AGGRESSION PACT. STATEMENT, MODERATE IN TONE THROUGHOUT, OTHERWISE CONTAINED NOTHING THAT WOULD INHIBIT EXPRESSION OF U.S. SUPPORT FOR NON-AGGRESSION PACT IF DEPT IS DISPOSED TO MAKE ONE.

7. OTHER HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESS CONFERENCE REPORTED SEPTELS.
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